A Washington Correspondent's Glowing Tribute to Mrs. Cleveland Upon Her Retirement.

Ouida's Description of Club Women-A New Beauty at the White

New York Herald: The latest news about Maggie Mitchell is surprising. It came from Chicago yesterday, and to say that it created astonishment is to put it mildly. It was to the effect that the lively little Fanchon had already figured in the divorce courts, and that her present suit against her husband, Henry J. Paddock, is her second venture in that line.

The story went on to say that somewhere in the "fifties" Miss Mitchell fell suddenly in love with a ha dsome young stranger while playing an engagement in Rich while playing an engagement in Richmond, Va. She was then young and was accompanied by her mother. It was before she had found "Fanchon," and she was playing little one and two act pieces like "Nan" and the "Little Treasure." She eloped, the despatch says, with the gay Lothario after the performance on a Saturday night, got married and returned on Monday.

n Monday. It was stated that her change of heart It was stated that her change of heart was due to her mother's influence, and that she gave up the newly made husband at her bidding. The young man grew melancholy, went to the mines, and was never heard of afterwards. The affair was kept a close secret, and many years afterwards Judge Robert Wilson obtained a divorce for Miss Mitchell in a Chicago court. The case was handled so dexterously that it never got into the newspapers, and even members of the family were kept in the dark. The people in the theatre in Richmond, however, knew all about it, and whispered of it so that it got to the ears of J. H. McVicker and his manager, Louis B. Sharpe.

Sharpe.
All the professional people in town were talking of these reports yesterday and the lady's many friends here were puzzled by them. Many old actors and managers did not believe the rumors and said the stories had grown out of the infatuation of "Billy" Wilkseen.

About the time Miss Mitchell is said to About the time Miss Mitchell is said to have made the romantic marriage "Billy" Wilkeson was running a big hotel next door to the Holliday Street theater in Baltimore. He was very rich and very well liked. He fell desperately in love with Maggie Mitchell, sold out his hotel and followed her for years. The lady was obdurate and refused to listen to Wilkeson, but he persisted in traveling from place to place with her, and could not be content out of her sight. He bought tickets for every performance and sat in front admiring her and feasting his eyes. He spent his fortune in that way, and finally, some twenty-one years ago, saw Maggie Mitchell become the wife of Henry J. Paddock.

Maggie Mitchell is now in her fifty-eighth year, it is said, but she looks as young as she did twenty years ago and is as sprightly and agile on the stage as ever. She is producing new plays right along and is as great an attraction as of old. The husband in prospective, that the people give her, is an attractive young leading man, but it is hardly likely the gossips can be right in that respect, as Miss Mitchell is devoted to her children.

Henry J. Paddock was his wife's manager from the time of their marriage up to two years ago. He then resigned from the conduct of her affairs and set up as a real estate dealer at No. 137 Broadway. He He said that he knew nothing of his wife's affairs and did not wish to say anything about them. Charles T. Mitchell, her

affairs and did not wish to say anything about them. Charles T. Mitchell, her brother, a theatrical manager, said that he had never heard of the marriage reported from Chicago. Paddock was the first and only husband he had ever known his sister to have, and he was sorry that trouble had

A Tribute to Mrs. Cleveland. F. C. Powers' Washington correspondence: I hesitate to speak of Mrs. Cleve land, because it is so easy to write fustian about a lovely woman; so difficult, indeed, about a lovely woman; so difficult, indeed, to do her justice without becoming silly. A friend of mine, who lately saw her for the first time, at a reception close to the end of her reign in the white house, exclaimed: "She is the most beautiful woman I ever saw in my life;" and then, revising his judgment, he added: "Perhaps that is not precisely it; but when she smiles to you, her's is the most ravishingly lovely face in the world." But her beauty is really the least of her attractions. How many women could be so charming occasionally as she is all the time? Whether the caller had a mere grasp of the hand and a smile at a public reception, or the luxury of a half-hour's chat with her, no one has ever met her without being fascinated. She is so vivacious and goodnatured, she has such tact, such a genius for entertaining you, whether you are an old friend or a person she never saw or heard of before and never will see or hear of again; she has such a fund of sensible and interesting small-talk, she is so unaffected, and so winning without making an effort to be winning, that one's admiration for her is always growing. No one ever heard of her doing an awkward or saying an ill-natured thing. She stepped almost from a boarding school into the most conspicuous and trying place a woman can occupy in this country. I think she must have been greatly surprised and disappointed at the result of the election. But neither in her coming nor going has she ever made a false step. She has shown perfect self-possession without a trace of self-consciousness; perfect dignify without a trace of coldness or restraint; vivacity without frivolity. She has never been more fascinating than during this, her iast, winter.

Besides an absolute genius for being agreeable she has shown moral qualities that are surprising in view of her youth. She has the rare gift of doing right without seeming to be the apostle of reform. She drinks no wine, but she has never these more excuse for a low bodice than most of the ladies who have worn them a to do her justice without becoming silly. A friend of mine, who lately saw her for

possessed before; but to women they offer wholly new and possibly questionable advantages. If a woman wants a home it is indicative that her home does not give her much that she wants. She may be a busy or an idle person, but she is, at all events, one who loves the streets, like Dr. Johnson; and finds pleasure in being associated with strangers. To those who are still of the opinion that the finest flower of womanhood is a sensitive plant best cultured in shade and silence, this indication will not be welcome. The kind of woman who will enjoy a club will not be of the highest order; she will be a chatty, gregarious, sociable, probably fussy and gossiping woman, or she will belong to that eminently unlovely and unlovable class of women who is, in sport-

will belong to that eminently unlovely and unlovable class of women who is, in sporting phrase, 'hard as nalis,' wears glasses, dissects live kittens, and writes learned essays to prove the nothingness of everything—truly horrible and appailing class which it is the especial destination of the nineteenth century to have produced. These two orders of women, with those other women who are humdrum, hurried, and occupied in gaining their own livelihood is the most meritorious but uncomfortable manner, will furnish the ladies' clubs with their members, at least those ladies' clubs from which men are excluded."

Washington correspondence St. Paul Globe: The queen is dead, long live the queen, was never more fittingly illustrated than in the advent of a new social star at the white house as the successor of Mrs. Cleveland, and the mantle of royalty in this

white house as the successor of Mrs. Cleveland, and the mantle of royalty in this respect has fallen upon the shoulders of Mrs. Russell Harrison, daughter of ex-Senator Saunders, of Nebraska, and therefore a western girl. Aiready Dame Grundy has circulated the story that Mrs. Clevelond was inclined to dress a trifle too much like an elderly woman, whereas the new favorite continues to be the same winsome girl who was so popular at Washington a few years as Miss Saunders. She is a decided type of blonde, and therefore the opposite of Mrs. Cleveland, but her figure is built on the same graceful lines that marked the retired mistress of the white house. The name upon every one's lips now is not Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, but her daughter-in-law; and Mrs. Cleveland, so far as society here is concerned, has assumed that innocuous desuetude made famous by her husband in one of his messages to congress. It is gratifying to western people that one of their number should possess the charms and graces to qualify her to become the successor of such a gifted woman as Mrs. Cleveland, and Nebraska is to be congratulated upon the beautiful woman who will for the ensuing four years be one of the greatest attractions at the white house receptions. Members of the diplomatic corps and distinguished men from all parts of the the world unite in paying tribute to Mrs. Russell Harrison as one of the most beautiful women they have ever seen.

New York World: There is a club of ladies in New York known as the Handsome Club. The club selected this name because no lady is eligible to membership who is not handsome both in form and fea-ture. It might be supposed from these ture. It might be supposed from these statements that the object of the organization is the pursuit of personal beauty, and that the members, when they sign the constitution, pledge themselves to exchange any toilet secrets which may come to them by right of inheritance, or be discovered by reason of unusual feminine penetration. This, however, is about as far from the truth as it can well be. The club is a branch of the parent club located in Washington, owing the same name, established for the purpose of collecting funds wherewith to educate the southern negroes, and the representatives of the organization in this city say that the efforts thus far put forth have met with a good deal of success. What the precise sympathy may be between the handsome women of the country and the colored gentlemen on the other side of Mason and Dixon's line, who, according to republican accounts, find so much difficulty in exercising their right of suffrage, is not very clear. But whatever it is, the fact may be interesting to note that it was the beautiful ladies who discovered it. Miss Clifford, who is described as a woman of remarkably attractive personal appearremarkably attractive personal appear-ance, is the president of the organization in New York.

A Costly Prima Donna

American Musician: Strakosch paid[Nilsson the past season \$500 a performance and one-half the receipts over \$3,000, which made her share average from \$1,000 to \$1.500. The second season she demanded \$1,000 cash and the same share of excess, but after a row it was reduced to \$600. The extraordinary demands of these singers finally made it impossible for managers to give Italian opera. Beside the salary I agreed to pay Nilsson's hotel expenses, and she managed to run up bills of from \$500 to \$700 per week. I have saved one bill as a curiosity. It is from the Continental hotel, Philadelphia, and on it is an item of \$65 for strawberries. It displayed a great lack of consideration and even principle, but I preferred to pay these bills and remain on good terms with her, as she would have got even with me some other way if I had refused to do so. \$1,000 cash and the same share of excess

A Queen's Graceful Act The queen-regent of Spain is the subject of a graceful story apropos of the death of the sister of Senor Emilio Castelar. Her majesty received the news in the midst of the bustle of the birthday festivities of the little king, as she entered the reception noom where the guests were assembled for the great banquet. She did not call for one of her high functionaries, but said to the president of the council himself, "Go and tell M. Castelar that I forget that he is the head of the republican party; that I only see in him a national glory, a great orator, an artist who has no peer, and that I have the deepest sympathy with him in his loss, both as Spaniard and as sovereign."

A correspondent of the Boston Journal writes: "I saw a letter from Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe a few days ago in which she report herself as having all her bodily powers perfect, a quite healthy appetite powers perfect, a quite healthy appetite and as enjoying a quiet sleep every night. 'In view of these items,' she writes, 'I am no subject for lamentation; I do not lament over myself.' Further on in the letter she speaks most hopefully of her health, and in a way that makes one forget that this was the women for whose momentary death the whole world looked less than six months ago. Her letter shows no less of mental vigor, while the handwriting is firm, with the letters carefully formed."

That tired, debilitated feeling, so peculiar to spring, indicates depraved blood. Now is the time to prove the beneficial effects of Ayer's Sarsaparilla. It cleaoses the system, restores physical energy, and infuses new life and vigor into every fibre of the body.

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BUSTLING BILLINGS.

Business Men Predicting a Good Trade During the Spring and Summer.

BILLINGS, March 12 .- [Special corresondence of the Independent.]—The ap-roach of spring and the continued fine veather enlivens the mercantile life of Billings, and on every hand are to be seen the local merchants laying plans for the season's business which promises to be without parallel in the history of this city. The big ditch which has been in process of reconstruction and enlargement for the ast three months nears completion, and when the work is finished, will insure a supply of irrigating water adequate to the need's of the entire valley.

The fire department, which since the 4th of July last has been in a demoralized condition, is once more reorganized and in its new quarters, which have been furnished elegantly at an expense of \$300, are to be found every evening the men who have always been toremost in battling with the devouring element, and who have lasting monuments to their zeal, energy and capacity in the structures which the hand of improvement has not swept away. Their hall, which is in the second story of the old fire house, has been decorated and carpeted, and now is a resort of which the members of the "Maverick" company may well be proud. The ranchers and farmers are preparing to break more acreage than ever before in the Yellowstone valley, relying on the new coal camp at Red Lodge, the terminus of the Rock Fork railroad for a market. The occasional hint of additional railroad building from this point to Fort Benton, and to Cooke City, as well as the prospective outlet to the Union Pacific railroad, all inspire the residents of this locality with new life and courage.

The business men are interesting themselves in projecting an opera house which shall equal any between the Missouri river and Spokane, and will be when completed a model of convenience and comfort. The plan will be to place the auditorium on the ground floor, with seating capacity of five to six hundred, with plenty of stage room and fixtures, the front part to be utilized for stores and offices.

The plans and specifications of the new flouring mill are in the hands of contractors for figures, and the building will be commenced with the first approach of settled weather. The mill will be built with a capacity adequate to the demand and with sufficient opportunity tor additions whenever there is an increased demand. News from the wool scouring mill is favorable and the indication seems to be that it will be ready for this season's crop. Work on the Rocky Fork reilroad is temporarily suspended, but will be resumed on the 1st of April, when the road will be quickly pre

with all these things to encourage, who shall say the prospect of eastern Montana and the Yellowstone country is not bright? With concerted action on the part of the Billings people, who shall be able to hinder the onward progress of this embryocity?

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Cure for Sick Headache. If you want a remedy for biliousne

pimples in the face, and a sure cure for sick headache, ask R. S. Hale & Co., the druggists, tor a free sample of Dr. Gunn's Liver Pills. Only one for a dose; full box

HELRNA, Oct. 7, 1887.

I was suffering from an unusually bad cough, my lungs were sore and congested, and I consulted one of the best physicians in Helena, whose prescriptions failed to relieve me. I became alarmed, and at the suggestion of a friend purchased a bottle of Acker's English Remedy for coughs, and after taking it according to directions was completely cured. I therefore cheerfully recommend it.

JACOB SWITZER.

I had a racking cough and inflamed throat and bought a bottle of Acker's English Remedy upon the recommendation of a friend, and was entirely cured by it. I consider it a never failing remedy for a cough.

Acker's anglish preparations are for sale in Helena only by R. S. Hale & Co. HELENA, Oct. 7, 1887.

The following from the pen of Mr. M. P. Birdwell, editor of the Marion (lowa) Pilot, will, we believe, be of interest to many of our readers. He says: It is with pleasure that I certify to the real merits of Chamberiain's Cough Remedy. I have used it in my family for years and have all ways found it most excellent, and especially for colds, croup and sore throat. It is safe and effective." For sale by H. M. Parchen.

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Your truly,
J. S. TOOKER, County Ch.

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Notice to Co-Owners.

Notice to Co-Owners.

To Geo Bowen: You are hereby notified that I have expended two hundred dollars in I abor and improvements upon the Lizzle quartz lode, situated about two thousand feet northwest of the Little Emma quartz lode mining claim, near Jackeon creek and the Br-moon quartz lode, situated about one half mile northeast of the Little Emma quartz lode mining claim and about two thousand feet north of Jackson creek, with the Sunner lode on the east and the izzle lode on the west, both in no organized mining district, in Jefferson county, Montana territory, as will appear by certificate on file in the office of the recorder of said county, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of Sec. 2324, revised statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year 1888; and if within ninety days after this notice you fail, or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as a co-owner, your interest in said Lizzle and Brandon lode claims will become the property of the subscriber.

Helena, Lewis and Clarke county, and territory of Montana, Jan. 17th, 1879. Helena, Lewis and Clarke county, and territory of Montana, Jan. 17th, 1889.

Notice to Co-Owners.

To Charles Whitcomb and H. E. Davis: You are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred doilars in labor and improvements upon the Virginius quartz lode, situated in Lewis and Clarks county, Montana Territory, in St-mple (unorganized) mining district, and is bounded on the east by the Cleveland lode and on the west by the Comstock and Jerusha lodes, in order to hold said premises under the provisions of section 2,334 Revised Statutes of the United States, being the amount required to hold the same for the year 1888, and if within ninety days after this notice you fall to or refuse to contribute your proportion of such expenditure as a co-owner, your interest in said Virginius lode claim will become the property of this subscriber.

Marysville, Lewis and Clarks county, Jan. 34.

FRANCIS BRYAN.

Notice of Election

judges, J. C. Stubbe, P. J. Perrine
Seventh Ward.—Folling place, Southwest corner of Breckenridge and Davis streets; judges,
W. F. Wheeler, David Ruth.
The election will be conducted returned and
canvassed in the same manner as other city elections.
A. C. BOTKIN, City Clerk,
Helena, Mont., March 9, 1889.

Stockholders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of Eikhorn Queen Mining company will be held at the law effice of Asbburn K. Barbour, Masconic Temple, Helena, Mont., on Tuesday, March 19, 1889, at 4 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of trustees of said company, and to transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting which may legally come before said meeting.

A. K. BARBOUR, Secretary,
Helena, March 9, 1889.

[No. 2221.]

Application for a Patent.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, BELENA, MONTANA, January 16, 1889.

Notice is hereby given that Timothy Wilcox, Harrison Asbury, Oliver C. Rinker, 1da B, Yergy and William Piato, whose postoffice ad dress is Helena, M. T., have this day filed application for a patent for three hundred and twenty scres of the Placer mine bearing gold, situated in unorganized mining district, county of Lewis and Clarke, and territory of Montana, and designated by the field notes and official plat on file in this office as the sy of section 36, in twenthy 10, n. range 3, w. of principal base line and meridan of Montana territory, containing 300 ac es. The location of this mine is recorded in the recorder's office of Lewis and Clarke county in book Fof R and D The adjoining claimants are unknown.

W LANGHORNE Register.

W LANGHORNE, Register.

John W. Eddy attorney for Applicants.

First publication Jan. 17.

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## MAIL LETTINGS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Post Office Department,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 1, 1889. PROPOSALS will be received at the Contract Office of this Department until 4 p. m of April 10. 1889, for carrying the mails of the United States and according to the schedule of arrival and de partures, specified by the Department, in the Territory of Montana, from July 1 1889, to June 30, 1890. Lists of routes, with schedules of arrivals and departures, instructions to bidders with forms for contracts and bonds, and all other necessary information, will be furnished upon application to the Second Assistant Postmaste General

DON M. DICKINSON,

